

# SRI AT THE COPUOS 69<sup>TH</sup> IN VIENNA



from left: Dr. Gülin Dede, Prof. Sergio Marchisio, Enes Beşli

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Space Renaissance International (SRI) was represented at the 69th Session of the United Nations Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space (UN COPUOS) in Vienna, Austria, by Bernard Foing, Dr. Gülin Dede, Werner Grandl, and Enes Beşli.

The SRI delegation contributed to the session’s dialogue through two technical presentations: one delivered by Werner Grandl, *“The Legacy of Gerard K. O’Neill and the Urgency to start Experimentation on Simulated Gravity”*, and another by Dr. Gülin Dede titled *“Sustainability Beyond Earth: The Case for an 18th Sustainable Development Goal.”*

Throughout the session, the delegation engaged in productive discussions with international stakeholders and explored potential avenues for collaboration in support of SRI’s vision for a sustainable and inclusive space future.

The delegation also attended the side event *“Delivering Water Diplomacy through Space,”* jointly co-organised by the European Space Policy Institute and Slovenia.

SRI further observed the *“Space4Industry, UNOOSA/UNIDO Signing Ceremony,”* co-organised by UNOOSA and UNIDO as well as *“Space4Resilience Initiative, From*

*Data to Decision: AI-Driven 3D Digital Twin Technologies for Disaster Infrastructure Resilience and Sustainable Industrial Development*” co-organized by UN-SPIDER and Japan.

SRI supports the utilization of space technologies in addressing global challenges, advancing sustainable industry, and strengthening international cooperation.

See the SRI presentations on the Space Renaissance YouTube channel:

**Werner Grandl - “The Legacy of Gerard K. O’Neill and the Urgency to start Experimentation on Simulated Gravity”** <https://youtu.be/KxunbMOecaM>

**Dr. Gülin Dede - “Sustainability Beyond Earth: The Case for an 18th Sustainable Development Goal.”** <https://youtu.be/TKafpnsZ9p0>

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